



On August 29, 1870, Alice Voyle Rashleigh was born. In 1940, after teaching in the Carbondale schools for 52 years, she retired from teaching. At the time of her retirement, she was principal of School No. 8, the John Marshall School on Belmont Street. At a retirement dinner in her honor, she said, in part: "At 9 P.M., 76 years ago, I arrived in a thunder storm—but later the sun shone through the rain drops producing a rainbow for me. I did not find the pot of gold but I found Happiness in the love of children and the love of friends. Now I am at bat in the 7th inning of my life. . ." In March 1946, she wrote a 7-part history of Carbondale that was published in the *Carbondale News*. In 1951, she wrote *Carbondale, My Carbondale: A History of the Pioneer City*. Her maternal grandfather was Thomas Voyle, Mayor of Carbondale, 1867-1869, 1873-1874, and 1882-1883. She was an enthusiastic supporter of the Columbia Hose Company and in 1946 the members of that hose company awarded her a Gold Badge Life Membership and Membership Card No. 5. She died on July 13, 1954.